

# FLATHEAD COUNTY WEED, PARKS & RECREATION

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#### Memorandum

RE: COVID19 Response - Operational Department Changes

FROM: Jed S. Fisher DATE: March 24, 2020

The office will remain open; however, public access will be limited effective Wednesday, March 25 at 08:00. Our staff can be reached via email, phone or mail. We also have a drop box located at the main office at 309 FFA Drive. We will conduct normal business hours of 8:00a to 5:00p. If you have taken the time to come to the office and require personal assistance, please knock on the door and we will come out and observe social distancing practices. The main office phone number is 758-5800 or 758-5798. Weed Control website: <a href="https://flathead.mt.gov/weeds/">https://flathead.mt.gov/weeds/</a>; Parks & Recreation website: <a href="https://flathead.mt.gov/parks">https://flathead.mt.gov/parks</a> rec/.

## **Parks**

All of our Parks remain open at this time but our organized team sports programming has been placed on hold. Please follow social distancing practices when visiting County managed parks. Our staff will be working on deferred maintenance needs in County Parks.

#### Recreation

As previously stated, our outdoor recreational programming has been postponed. Our indoor programming which is at the mercy of our amazing partnership with local schools obviously is at a stand still until further notice. Feel free to continue registering for future programs which will be held if possible. Recreation staff will be working on data entry and Conrad Complex improvements. Seasonal recreation employee may be delayed in returning to work.

## **Weed Control**

We are preparing all equipment for what appears to be an earlier than normal spray year. All contracts will be completed and all County Roads and properties will be sprayed and mowed as normal. Our Weed Compliance Officer will be updating our website, performing subdivision inspections in addition to normal complaint reviews. All notifications of non-compliance will continue. Database and file cleanup will also be implemented as time allows.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.